Detroit New Center Intermodal Facility (DNCIF)

Request for Industry Feedback

MDOT continues to plan the development of the DNCIF, which will be transformational for the revitalization of the New Center area and the city of Detroit as a whole. The mobility hub will be a destination within the city and a welcoming gateway connecting Detroit to the larger regional and national intercity bus and rail networks.

A Market Sounding conducted in 2021 provided information that has guided the planning of DNCIF, and MDOT now has three procurement scenarios on which it is requesting industry feedback. All potential participants in the project are invited to respond to help guide the successful procurement of this innovative project, but MDOT is particularly interested in the perspectives of potential Developers and Design-Builders.

The three procurement scenarios range from a Design Build Operate Maintain P3 contract for the intermodal facility and associated development parcels, to a Design Build contract for the intermodal facility alone. Details of the procurement scenarios are attached, together with the questions on which MDOT is requesting feedback.

Background: The DNCIF project will create a modern intermodal passenger hub with enhanced passenger amenities at Woodward/Baltimore. The existing rail station will be reconstructed to better serve both rail and bus passengers as well as operating needs, with improved transfers between modes. The intercity bus companies and Amtrak have all committed to coordinate schedules to optimize intermodal transfers and minimize wait times at the new joint facility. DNCIF offers direct adjacent access to Detroit Department of Transportation (DDOT; city bus), Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART; suburban bus), and QLine (Woodward Avenue downtown streetcar) services. The design includes dedicated space for taxis, drop-offs/pickups, bikeshare, scooters, and parking. The design has also preserved areas for rail/transit-oriented development, that will connect the DNCIF with the surrounding neighborhood.

Additional Information: Please continue to follow the project at the following locations:

- https://www.michigan.gov/mdot/projects-studies/studies/additional-studies/new-center-intermodal-facility
- https://www.michigan.gov/mdot/business/contractors/innovativecontracting